



Commonwealth of Kentucky Public Protection Cabinet

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Public Protection Cabinet Office Relocates to Downtown Frankfort

Relocation Facilitates Inter-agency Collaboration

Frankfort, Ky. (Nov. 14, 2019) – Beginning Tuesday, Nov. 19, the Public Protection Cabinet (PPC) will relocate to the newly constructed Mayo-Underwood state office building located at 500 Mero Street in Frankfort, KY. The agency move will conclude Friday, Dec. 13.

Currently, the Public Protection Cabinet and its agencies deliver critical services from locations throughout Frankfort. All PPC agencies will move to the Mayo-Underwood state office building, except the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission, which will remain at the Kentucky Horse Park. Moving agencies include the Kentucky Boxing and Wrestling Commission, the Kentucky Claims Commission, the Kentucky Real Estate Authority, the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, the Department of Charitable Gaming, the Department of Financial Institutions, the Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction, the Department of Insurance and the Department of Professional Licensing.

For the first time in the Cabinet's history, the majority of Cabinet staff will be located in a central location. "The new building will facilitate inter-agency collaboration, and allow the Cabinet to improve the regulatory environment in which PPC protects the citizens of the Commonwealth," said PPC Secretary K. Gail Russell.

The PPC advises the public of its new mailing address, which is effective Nov. 21, 2019: 500 Mero Street Frankfort, KY 40601.

In addition to the Public Protection Cabinet, the five-story building will house the following sister state agencies: Commonwealth Office of Technology; the Finance Cabinet's Division of State Risk and Insurance Services; the Kentucky Communications Network Authority; Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet; Education and Workforce Development Cabinet; and the Labor Cabinet.

The Mayo-Underwood building is the result of a successful public-private partnership. The Lexington-based project team included EOP Architecture and Interiors, CRM Companies, and D.W. Wilburn Construction Management. The floorplan arranges neighborhoods consisting of

workstations, a few private offices, break areas, collaboration spaces, and large and small conference rooms to meet a variety of agency needs.

In honor of the historic African American school that stood on the site from 1928-1964, the newly constructed state office building will share the school's name, Mayo-Underwood.

To learn more about the Public Protection Cabinet visit, <http://ppc.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx>.

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As the chief regulatory agency of state government, the Public Protection Cabinet serves the Commonwealth by providing reasonable regulation, licensure and consumer protection for Kentucky citizens, businesses and institutions in an atmosphere that promotes compliance and fosters growth. The Cabinet includes the following offices, agencies and departments: The Office of the Secretary, Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, Department of Charitable Gaming, Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction, Department of Financial Institutions, Department of Insurance, Kentucky Boxing and Wrestling Commission, Kentucky Horse Racing Commission, Department of Professional Licensing and the Kentucky Claims Commission.